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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (FOR ADDITIONAL TEXT)

E.O. 11652 NA

TAGS: EFIN FJ

SUBJECT: FIJI REVALUES CURRENCY

1. GOF REVALUED DOLLAR BY FIVE PERCENT ON SEPTEMBER 10, GIVING AS REASON NEED TO PROTECT CONSUMER BY MAINTAINING RATE OF EXCHANGE WITH AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR (BULK OF FIJIAN IMPORTS OF BASIC FOODSTUFFS COME FROM AUSTRALIA) IN STATEMENT GOF SAID IN PRESENT STRUGGLE AGAINST INFLATION IT NECESSARY TAKE MEASURES TO CUSHION CONSUMERS AGAINST PRICE RISE THAT WOULD RESULT FROM AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND REVALUATIONS IF FIJI DID NOT FOLLOW SUIT. FACT THAT SUGAR, COPRA AND GOLD INDUSTRIES ARE IN HEALTHIER STATE NOW THAN AT TIME OF US DOLLAR DEVALUATION IN FEBRUARY, GOF MOVED TO SAFEGUARD INTERESTS OF CONSUMERS RATHER THAN EXPORTERS.

2. FIJI DOLLAR REMAINS TIED TO POUNDS STERLING, BUT RELATIONSHIP HAD BEEN REALIGNED

3. NEW EXCHANGE RATE FOR US DOLLAR HAS NOT YET BEEN SET.

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EMBASSY ASSUMES IT WILL BE ABOUT FIJI DOLLAR ONE EQUALS US

DOLLAR 1..32. HALL

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